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GRANTS TO ORGANISATIONS DIRECLY UNDER SSA
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide grants directly to the organisations related to Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan instead of States; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a)&(b) : Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan(SSA) envisagesa long term partnership between the Centre and the States under which the expenditure is shared by the Government of India and the States in the ratio of 85:15 during the 9th Plan, 75:25 during 10th Plan and 50:50 thereafter. As per the earlier approved pattern, the Government of India funds for implementing SSA was being sent to the State Governments, which, in turn, were releasing these funds to the State Implementation Societies set up by the respective State Governments which are responsible for implementing programme at the State level. However, it was found that this process of routing the funds through the State Governments to the State Implementation Societies was taking a long time, delaying the implementation of the programme.

As the goals of SSA are to be achieved within a prescribed timeframe , it was felt that flow and funds to the state implementation societies should be effected in a smooth and unhindered manner. Hence, the government has reconsidered the mechanism of transfer of funds and it has now been decided to transferred Government of India share directly to the State Implementation societies .